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COUNTRY **East Germany**

REPORT

SUBJECT **East German Analysis of Available
Western Suppliers for Certain
Metallic Compounds**

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The following is a list of certain metallic compounds which East Germany had planned to import during 1961, and an analysis as of 5 October of the alternate supply channels to be used as a result of the abrogation of the 1961 East German Trade Agreement:

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Antimony Sulphide (Antimon-III-Sulfid)

Can be imported without difficulty

Barium Peroxide (Bariumsuperoxyd)

This product is not available on the world market. 50X1-HUM

Cadmium Carbonate (Cadmiumcarbonat)

Cannot be imported from another country because the required Fe content is too high. 50X1-HUM

Cerium Oxide (Ceroxyd)

Could probably be imported
VEB Stickstoffwerk
Piesteritz will release 100 kg from
its experimental allocation. 50X1-HUM

Ceric Carbonate (Ceritcarbonat)

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+ Ceric Oxide (Ceritoxyd)

This is a special product; alternate
suppliers could probably only produce
cerium oxide.

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Mercuric Potassium Cyanide (Cyan-
quecksilberkalium)

Can probably be imported

Iron Sulphate (Eisen-II-Sulfat)

No other import-channels.

Cupric Potassium Cyanide (Kalium-
kupfercyanid)Import of 22/23 percent pure item
possible.

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Copper Oxide (Kupferoxyd)

Because of the high quality required,

could be the only
alternate supplier.

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Red Copper Oxide (Kupferoxydul)

Can probably be imported

Cupric Chloride (Kupfer-II-Chlorid)

The required quality can be imported

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Copper Carbonate (Kupfercarbonat)

Can be imported

Potassium Nickel Cyanide (Kalium-
nickelcyanid)Since there is only one supplier for
this product it is
doubtful if other suppliers exist.
Research results on local production
not yet available.

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Cobalt Oxide (Kobaltoxyd)Purity requirements too high; only
alternate supply-possibilityLanthanum Hydroxide (Lanthanoxydhydrat)

Could be imported

Manganese Carbonate (Manganocarbonat)A "pure" quality cannot be imported
from alternate suppliers.Calcium Silicide (Calciumsilicid)

Available only as piece-goods.

Nickel Carbonate (Nickelcarbonat)If the nickel-content requirements
are lowered from 55 percent to 45
percent, this product could be imported

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Nickel Hydroxide (ous) (Nickel-II-
Hydroxyd)Possibly available
quality uncertain.

but

Nickel Oxide (Nickeloxyd)Nickel Hydroxide (Nickeloxydhydrat)Strontium Hydroxide (Strontiumhydroxyd)

Required quality not available.

Strontium Carbonate (Strontiumcarbonat)Local production in addition to that
from VEB Gärungchemie Dessau should
be considered before investigating
other import channels.Thallium Bromide (Thalliumbromid)This is a special order; other import
channels not available.

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Thallium Iodide (Thalliumjodid)Sodium Iodide (Natriumjodid)

This is a special order, may possibly be available

Tin Tetrachloride (Zinntetrachlorid)Tin Dichloride (Zinn-II-Chlorid)

Various import possibilities if needed for industry. The VVB Pharmazeutische Industrie has been asked to investigate production possibilities at VEB Berlin-Chemie.

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Mercury Dichloride (Quecksilber-II-Chlorid)

Other suppliers for "DAB 6" quality of item still need to be found. VEB Fahlberg-List has been requested to produce the require amount.

Zirconium Silicate (Zirkonsilikat)

No other suppliers for the required type "300" quality.

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Zirconium Oxide (Zirkonoxyd)

Type "S" product can be imported but availability of required amounts not certain.

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Zirconium Oxychloride (Zirkonoxychlorid)

Required quality available

Calcined Zirconium Oxide (Zirkonoxyd, gegluht)

Embargoed item, could until now only be obtained under disguise (Tarnbezeichnung).

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1. Comment: A previous report indicated that East Germany would try to arrange for Czechoslovakia to purchase these items on East Germany's behalf.

2. Comment: VEB Laborchemie Apolda is conducting research on local production of required amounts.

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